PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Piero DEL SOLDATO Art Unit: 1626 (Expected)

Application No.: Div. of 10/151,955 Examiner: E. Sackey (Expected)

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For: NITRIC ESTERS AND NITRATE SALTS OF SPECIFIC DRUGS

Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments without prejudice.